

21—93.4(203D) Meetings. Unless otherwise determined by the chairperson, the board will meet at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. In-person board meetings will generally be held in a conference room in the Henry A. Wallace building. Telephone conference call meetings may be permitted and will generally be hosted from the offices of the grain warehouse bureau of the Iowa department of agriculture and land stewardship in the Henry A. Wallace building. The establishment and public notice of meeting dates and locations are the responsibility of the chairperson, unless the majority of the members of the board eligible to vote request a meeting. In addition, the board will schedule meetings when circumstances require the board to address claims made against the fund and, for these meetings, establishment and public notice of meeting dates and locations are the responsibility of the chairperson.

93.4(1) Agenda. The tentative agenda is prepared by the chairperson in advance of the board meeting and will be mailed to board members in advance of the meeting date. A copy of the agenda will be mailed to those members of the public who request it and will be prominently posted at the board's office at least 24 hours before the meeting. Members of the public wishing to be scheduled on the board's agenda should notify the chairperson ten days in advance of the meeting and provide written materials explaining their reasons for wishing to address the board. In the case of a board meeting held to deal with claims against the fund, the filing of a written appeal under rule 21—94.9(203D) will satisfy the requirements of the preceding sentence. The chairperson shall have the authority to make all final decisions on the content and length of agenda items.

93.4(2) General conduct of meetings. The chairperson, or secretary in the absence of the chairperson, presides at all board meetings. Only individuals recognized by the presiding officer may address the board; in general, Robert's Rules of Order will govern the meeting unless otherwise stated in this chapter or by special action of the board.

In all discussions before the board, members of the public shall address any questions for the board to the presiding officer. Individual questioning of board members will not be allowed without the explicit consent of the presiding officer and the board members in question.

93.4(3) Voting. The board consists of seven members who are all eligible to vote on issues. A majority of board members shall constitute a quorum. The affirmative vote of four board members is necessary to carry an action.

93.4(4) Public participation. All meetings are open to the public in accordance with the open meetings law, Iowa Code chapter 21, except that portions of a meeting may be closed in accordance with the open meetings law. In the chairperson's discretion, a 15-minute public forum may be scheduled on each agenda of regularly scheduled meetings to allow the public, if necessary, an opportunity to address the board on any issue that may have arisen after the agenda was posted.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 203D.4, 203D.5, 203D.5A and 203D.6.